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THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Events of Interest From Washington.

By J. E. Jones.

THE RACKET WITH THE BIGGS.

The Biggs National Bank is the biggest corporate institution in Washington. It is associated with the National City Bank of New York, which is sometimes called the "Standard Oil Bank." For a half a century the Biggs has been regarded as a sort of advisory institution for the Secretaries of the Treasury, and the Comptroller of the Currency. For a year or more the Treasury and the Biggs have not been on good terms. The Biggs Bank claims that it has been persecuted, and it is so strong that it takes its grievances into the Federal court. The bank also issued detailed statements to the press. The Biggs pointed out as one of its causes for complaint, the withdrawal of two and a half million dollars of deposits by the United States Treasury at the time of the money strength, immediately following the outbreak of the European war. It cites as a further instance of persecution the refusal of the Treasury officials to approve the Biggs as a Reserve Bank. As this is the first time that any banking institution has ever had the nerve to go into court for the purpose of attempting to regulate the Treasury department of the United States, the interest in banking and financial circles has been intense. The Biggs has the "strength of Gibraltar" and if it proves its cause, the Administration can do nothing less than order shake-up in the Treasury department.

NEW WORK FOR GORGAS.

Colonel Gorgas has been asked to go to Serbia to stamp out typhoid. Gorgas went to Cuba, and when he was through yellow fever and other scourges of contagion, had been driven out. Gorgas went to Panama, and he converted a country in which the French workmen had died by tens of thousands into a health resort. Gorgas lives quietly in Washington, and is a major in the United States army. It seems incongruous that Gorgas should be an army officer, since he has saved more lives in a generation than all the United States army and navy have killed. He is not as famous as the major generals and the admirals who have left a trail of blood as the story of their achievements. Gorgas received this of from the Rockefeller Foundation at a large salary for this assignment, which stipulates that in case of his death his family will be cared for by the trustees. Oh, Gorgas—how wonderful are thy works! Has ever another man in hundreds of years wrought such wondrous achievements in the interests of humanity?

WAR BOOK BY AN AMERICAN.

Robert J. Thompson who resigned a few weeks ago, has published his letter to the Department of State, and the book in which these are contained, has created a good deal of a stir in Washington. Mr. Thompson presents an admirable, comprehensive and impartial digest of the European war situation, and pleads with his countrymen to be fair with Germany in their great struggle. The book is published by the Chapelle Publishing Company, and it is unique in war literature inasmuch as Mr. Thompson, who was featured by all the American news paper correspondents at the beginning of the war, has resigned from his active duties because he preferred to lay aside the personal benefits of office in order that he might be free to champion truth for truth's sake alone. The semi-official character of the work makes it particularly valuable, and it is because of this fact that the National Capital has found its contents of much importance and interest.

GOETHALS IS UNARMED.

There is no longer any need of fearing in timid tones: "What could we do if the Japs or some other molding foreigners attacked the Panama Canal?" General Goethals has it all prepared, and his answer would be to blow the whole "cubiculo" out of the water. The Panama Canal is the best fortified spot on earth.

"THE TRUTH IN ADVERTISING."

When Horace Greeley edited the New York Tribune he gave his famous advice to young men to go West. The Tribune has never lost any of the dignity given it by its famous editor. It's managers have selected a director for one of the greatest campaigns ever undertaken by an American newspaper.

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MEN'S CLUB

To Have Clean Up Week and Ladies' Night, Paper, Some of the Needs of Bethel

By J. E. Jones.

At the meeting of the Men's Club last Wednesday evening several interesting events were arranged for. First, it was decided to have the first week in May as an annual period for cleaning up yards, fixing fences, painting and improving appearances generally, and that we urge the whole community to join with us. Second, a Ladies' Night is to be held in the near future. Third, the Boy Scout Reel is to be shown Friday, May 14.

Mr. F. B. Merrill then read a paper on

SOME OF THE NEEDS OF BETHEL.

I bring this subject before you tonight with some hesitancy, knowing my own limitations and wondering how some of the things I may say will be received by you. Of those whose feelings I may hurt, I can but ask their pardon.

You will notice that I limited myself to some of the things that Bethel needs, for it would be next to impossible to enumerate all her needs.

First let us consider what the public spirit of the community is. I have sometimes wondered if there is any such thing in Bethel and if we are not too self-centered to enthuse over anything unless it is for our immediate benefit, and if we really do "love our neighbor as ourselves." Can you cite me instances of what the public spirit of Bethel has accomplished in the last fifteen years? I am unable to recall one instance where I could recall ten that has showed the lack of it. And by public spirit I mean that enthusiasm which leads us to do things for the upbuilding of the town, state or country in which we live.

Let me ask you what you have done to make Bethel a bigger, busier and better town, and what are you doing today. Can you see around and beyond the looking glass or do YOU fill the glass? Is everything you do measured in terms of benefit to yourself and the gaining of the almighty dollar? Are you willing that your fellow man should live or are you willing that he lives only so far as he contributes to your prosperity? And are you doing your part in the building up of the town? These are some of the questions that each one of us should answer.

One of your duties as a citizen of a community is to buy of your local merchants as far as you can consistently, and on the other hand it is the duty of the merchants to sell you a good grade of merchandise, making for themselves only a fair profit. Did you ever stop to think what would be the result if all of us did our trading out of town? Why, it would be only a short time before we couldn't get anything here except what had been left over from previous years. The amount of business that is now being done with the New York and Chicago mail order houses and with the Larin Company is enormous. Why people will pull off to these houses and pay out their good money for stuff that they could not buy in a store here is beyond me. Possibly the local merchants are partly to blame. But what are they doing to hold the trade at home? I will let them answer for themselves.

For the month of March the money orders sent out from the Bethel office amounted to \$4,621 and of this nearly \$600, or more than one fourth, was sent to Mail Order Houses, and this does not include the large amount sent out in bank checks and express orders, which will be as much if not more. Does it mean anything to you that \$1,000 and more is going out of this town every month for goods that should be bought right here?

So there is one great need. The need of trading at home more and demanding that the merchants supply us with the goods we want.

Right here I would like to read you something recently published by the Belfast Board of Trade, substituting Bethel for Belfast.

"The home merchant. Who is he? He is the chap who gives you credit when you are financially broke, and carries your account until you are able to pay."

He is the chap who gives you back your money or makes exchanges when you are not satisfied with what you have bought.

He is the chap who stands behind

OXFORD COUNTY

BOYS' CONFERENCE

2nd Annual Session at Norway, April 30th to May 2nd

The big Oxford County Boys' Conference will meet for its second annual session at Norway. The convention date is set for April 30 and May 1-2. Effort on part of the committee has been untiring and results will show in an unusually successful series of meetings.

The boys to the number of 200 are expected on Friday, April 30th. The first event on the program is an informal reception at the Norway Congregational church. The strangers will be met at the trains by Norway and South Paris boys and taken to their places of entertainment.

People of the two villages have responded to the call and all the guests can be readily accommodated. A banquet will be held at the grange hall in Norway for the boys.

The committee in charge of this are E. N. Sween of Norway, Stephen Cummings and Lee Smith. Speakers of the evening will include welcome to Norway on behalf of the business men and of the churches. The response by the boys will be given by Lester Henry of Rumford, president of the Oxford County Boys' convention. The leading address will be by Jefferson C. Smith, State secretary.

Saturday's session will be in the Congregational church. The annual business meeting is scheduled for this time and addresses by Jefferson C. Smith, A. A. Heald, boy State scout master, and by Mr. Nelles, Y. M. C. A. railway secretary.

Saturday afternoon a ball game is scheduled between the Norway high school team and Bates second, to which all the boys are invited.

The visitors will be taken to points of interest in the two towns including the toy shop, Peabody, Carroll shoe factory and similar concerns.

A union meeting of all the churches will be on the program for Sunday, which delegates and townpeople will attend. Another Sunday meeting will be for men only. The farewell session will be open to everyone. J. C. Smith will again speak.

Dr. Hall Teufert is the general chairman in charge of the convention.

R. C. L. Spear is secretary and treasurer.

Other committees are—

Finance, William F. Jones, Norway; C. P. Hallon, Norway, A. D. Park, South Paris.

Program committee, Burr Jones,

Superintendent of South Paris schools; Rev. H. J. Bruce of Norway and M. Barnes of South Paris.

Entertainment committee, Dr. Teufert, Stephen Cummings and Ralph Chapman.

Registration committee, Ralph Harriman, Frank Noyes and Mayford Mann.

Scout Field Duke of Norway, T. M. Davis, South Paris and Nor Ichfield of Norway.

Invitations have been sent through the county for boys to come to the conference. A registration fee of 50 cents is charged. This fee and the delegate credentials must be in the hands of the committee by April 20.

BOY SCOUTS.

The moving picture, "The Adventure of a Boy Scout," has been booked for Bethel, May 14th, Friday, in the Hall.

There are two Boy Scout organizations in the United States. One is the Boy Scout Troop, a military organization in New York. The other is the Boy Scouts of America, a non-military organization in which military drill is forbidden. The object of this organization is to draw out all the good there is in the boy and develop a noble manhood. Liking to the physical, mental and spiritual welfare of the boy.

The Scout Motto is, "Be Prepared."

The Scout Oath is, "I Promise On My Honor I Will Do My Best; To do my duty to God and my country and to obey the Scout Law; 2. To help other people at all times; 3. To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake, and morally straight."

The Scout Laws require the Scout to be trustworthy, loyal, helpful, friendly, courteous, kind, obedient, cheerful, thrifty, brave, clean and reverent.

It is an effort to fit the boy as he grows to measure up to "the prepared."

GOULD'S ACADEMY

BOYS' CONFERENCE

2nd Annual Session at Norway, April 30th to May 2nd

The base ball season opened last Saturday with a game between the Academy nine and a team made up of local players. It was an interesting game in spite of the score which seems to show that matters were rather one-sided. Gould's presented a team of new players very largely, even their pitchers, Small and F. Bean, appearing on the mound for the first time in a regular game. Neither man was hit hard though bases on balls figured largely in the scoring. For Bethel the battery work of Howe and Faunce was the feature. Able supported by his catcher, Howe pitched a steady consistent game—probably as good as anything the local Academy boys will be against this year.

Outfield catches by Hutchins, Cole and Courcy, and the capture of foul flies by Norton were among the features.

Further points of interest appear in the detailed score:

GOULD'S.	ab. r. bh. po. a. c.
H. Young, ss.	4 0 1 1 4 0
Chapman, 2b.	4 0 0 4 2 1
Hayford, 1b.	4 0 0 3 3 1
H. Bean, 3b.	3 0 0 1 1 2
Rand, cf.	0 0 0 0 0 0
Kendall, cf.	1 0 0 1 1 0
F. Bean, p., cf.	4 0 2 1 0 0
Small, p., 3b.	4 0 0 2 2 0
Cole, rf.	3 0 0 3 0 0
Norton, c.	3 0 0 8 1 1
Hutchins, lf.	3 1 2 3 1 0
	33 1 5 27 13 5

BETHEL.

	ab. r. bh. po. a. c.
Robertson, 3b.	3 1 1 3 3 0
Ladd, rf.	4 1 0 0 0 0
Howe, p.	5 1 2 1 2 2
Young, ss.	5 1 3 2 2 1
Morgan, 1b.	5 1 1 0 1 0
Thurston, 1b.	3 0 2 12 0 0
Cronay, cf.	3 1 0 1 0 0
Faunce, c.	3 2 0 6 1 1
A. Browne, 2b.	2 0 0 2 3 0
	33 8 0 27 12 4

ALDER RIVER GRANGE.

Alder River Grange held its regular meeting Wednesday evening, April 14.

Several members were absent on account of sickness. Three applications for membership were received. Next

meeting, April 28.

PARIS GRANGE.

Paris Grange met April 17 at 10:30

A. M. The first and second degrees

were conferred on four candidates, and applications were received from four.

After a recess for dinner the following

program was carried out:

Address of Welcome, Annie Wheeler.

Response, W. State Master Stetson.

Music, Choir.

Paper on the "State of Maine," Sister Barrett of Franklin Grange.

Solo, with encore, Sister Kate Hammond.

Address, State Master Stetson.

Piano Solo, "Old Black Joe with variations," Clara Annis.

Music, Choir.

Paris Grange will hold a fair, April 29 and 30. Next meeting May 1st, when the first and second degrees will be conferred.

BEAR RIVER GRANGE.

Bear River Grange held its regular

meeting, Saturday evening, April 17,

with 25 members present. Pro tem of

officers were as follows: Overseer, C. W.

Grobin; Chaplain, S. P. Davis; Ceres, Adlio Saunders. Voted to renew the

subscription for one year of the National Grange Monthly for its Master,

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NEW SPRING STYLES!

The whole store is brimful of new spring apparel. Here you will find every suit, coat, dress, waist, or skirt shown, full of style, of dependable quality and made with a dash that easily distinguishes them from the ordinary kinds and at the same time the prices are attractive.

The New Suits

The new suits are very attractive, materials are fine, styles are not only new, but distinctive. Made of Venetian, the Prague, Haberdashery and Shepards checks.

Principally good suits for \$12.50, 15.00, 16.50, 18.00, 20.00.

Shirt Waists

We are selling more shirt waists than we anticipated, but varieties are yet unbroken as to styles, materials are Crepe-de-chine, Jap. Silk, Messaline, Crepe, Voile and Lawn. The Simplicity waist appeal to every one that has ever one. Very pretty waists for 95 cents to \$3.00.

The New Coats

The new ones you can't help buying, there's a style for every one, and they are pretty as they can be, when you see them, it will be easy to choose yours. They are made of new materials in this spring's most stylish colors.

Coats \$5.50, 8.00, 10.00, 11.50, 12.50, 13.50, 15.00, 16.50, 17.50.

New House Dresses

The "Domestic" make, we know of none better, those who have worn this make think as we do. Here is a sample of a mail order we received a few days ago for a house dress. "If you haven't a 'Domestic' make don't send any other." This season the styles are more attractive and the materials unusually good.

Dresses for \$1.00, 1.25, 1.50, 1.75.

Muslin Underwear Sale

NOW IN PROGRESS

Many are taking advantage of this sale. It is really a great opportunity, the sale is on just the time you should be getting ready for your summer needs. No better time to save a few dollars. You remember the old saying "A dollar saved is as good as a dollar earned."

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BETHEL AND VICINITY.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Mae A. Godwin, Tuesday afternoon.

Mr. Fred Tibbets, the undertaker, has been visiting his sister in Harpswell.

Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Coffin are spending a few days at Milan, N. H.

Mrs. Brown was a guest of her son, Dr. E. L. Brown and wife, over Sunday.

Mrs. Davis Lovejoy went to Bangor, Tuesday, to attend the Golden Cross meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Bion Brown and daughter, Helen, visited relatives at Auburn, Sunday.

Mr. Arthur Herrick, who was operated on for appendicitis last week, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. George Smith and two children of Fayette, Me., came to Bethel, Monday.

Rev. J. R. Remick of Hebron, N. H., was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Kimball.

Mr. Sidney Howe was a guest of his mother, Mrs. Clara Howe, at Norway, Sunday.

Mr. W. B. Baker, who was operated on at the C. M. G. Hospital last Friday, is gaining daily.

The Ladies' Club will meet with Mrs. John Philbrook, Thursday afternoon at three o'clock.

Mr. W. W. Hastings drove up from Portland, Sunday, with a new 8 cylinder Cadillac touring car.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Bean of East Bethel were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Merrill, Tuesday.

Mr. William Lowe, Mrs. Harris White and two children visited relatives at Norway, Saturday.

Miss Nellie Silver has returned home after spending the winter in Rumford, where she had employment.

Mrs. Elmon Jordan went to Mechanic Falls, Saturday, to visit her parents, and returned Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Donahue of Berlin, N. H., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. T. B. Burke, Sunday, coming by auto.

Mrs. Angelia Clark and son, Irving, who have been spending the winter in Rockport, Mass., returned home, Tuesday.

Miss S. Louise Rounds and Miss Neal were in Bethel, Monday, in the interest of the Children's Home at Augusta.

Mr. Frank Hamlin of Berlin, N. H., was a guest of his sister, Miss Annie Hamlin, at Mrs. A. G. Bean's last week.

The Rebekahs held their regular meeting, Monday evening, April 19, and the degree was conferred on three candidates.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred E. Wheeler of Norway have moved into the upstairs room in Mr. B. F. Littlehale's house on Mason street.

Miss Marion Swift, who has been working for Miss Annie Frye, has returned to her home at Locke's Mills, Miss Cecil Bean of Bellows Falls, Vt., has taken her place.

The Universalist Sunday School will be represented at the Oxford County Boys' Conference, which meets in Norway, Friday, Saturday and Sunday, April 23, May 1 and 2.

Miss Thay Hutchinson, who has been spending the winter with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Hollings, returned to her home in East Weymouth, Mass., Saturday, accompanied by her aunt, Miss Ethel Hamlin.

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Paint work has to come down 25 percent to make 10 percent on the job, for wages do not go down.

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Mr. Fields and Mr. Sampson of Milton, Mass., were in Bethel the week end to look after their summer home, the Hill farm.

Mr. Harris White, who has been spending the winter in Bethel, returned to Haverhill, Mass., last week. His family will join him later.

Mr. Ivan Arno and Mr. Earl Cummings, who have been spending the winter in Pinchurst, N. G., returned to their homes in Bethel, Monday.

Miss Marjorie Chandler of Auburn and Mr. McGovern of Lewiston were week end guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Chandler, returning to Auburn, Monday P. M.

The Young Men's Christian League gave their annual banquet to the Loyalty Workers in the Methodist vestry, Friday evening, April 16. The long table was loaded with good things, salads, encores, oysters and ices filled the bill of fare, which the young people did ample justice to. The after dinner speeches were greatly enjoyed. Howard Tyler acted as toastmaster. The president, Elwin Wilson, gave the address of welcome, responded to by Hazel Arno, president of the Loyalty Workers. Harold Chapman spoke on baseball, John Anderson on A Model Husband, Elsie Davis read an essay on Music, Mrs. Lyman Wheeler an essay on Education, Herbert Bean made a few remarks and the Rev. T. C. Chapman gave the closing address. The exercises closed by all "Sound the Battle Cry," and all felt it to be one of the pleasantest evenings of the season.

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Judge A. E. Herrick and H. H. Hastings, Esq., attended the funeral of Hon. A. B. Kimball at Norway, Thursday.

Prof. F. E. Hanscom and son, Robert, went to their farm at Mechanic Falls, Friday, to get things ready for summer.

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Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Wight and Mr. and Mrs. L. E. Wight went to Haverhill, Sunday, to visit their brother, Arthur Wight.

Mr. D. W. Smith has hung up his drive for an indefinite length of time. Leslie Corbett and John Vail are working in the mill for S. A. Eames.

Mrs. Chas. Robertson and children are spending a few days in Bethel with Mrs. Robertson's father, J. P. Corbett.

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THE HOME CIRCLE

Pleasant Reveries—A Col... Dedicated to Tired Moth... as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide

AT HOME.

Where burns the fireside bright
Cheering the social breast!
Where beats the fond heart light
It's humblest hopes possessed.
Where is the hour of sadness,
With meek-eyed patience borne,
Worth more than those of gladness,
Which mirth's gay checks abroad.
Pleasure is marked by fleeting
To those who ever roam,
While grief itself has sweetest
At home—sweet home.

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LAUNDERING.

Marion W. Borden, Instructor in Home Economics. Farmers' Course, Orono, Me.

To most housekeepers the laundry work is the most formidable task of all in the household round. The process often extends over two or three days, is anticipated with dread, and seems to be completed to be begun again. The place the work is carried on with its laundry equipment is the most important. Laundry work has much to do with making work easier or more difficult. It is a separate room on the first floor that there need be no going up

THE HOME CIRCLE.

Pleasant Reveries—A Column Dedicated to Tired Mothers as they Join the Home Circle at Evening Tide.

AT HOME.

Where burns the fireside brightest, Cheering the social breast? Where beats the fond heart lightest Its humblest hopes possessed? Where is the hour of sadness, With meek-eyed patience borne, Worth more than those of gladness, Which mirth's gay cheeks adorn? Pleasure is marked by listlessness. To those who ever roam, While grief itself has sweetheath At home—sweet home.

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To most housekeepers the weekly laundry work is the most formidable task of all in the household routine. The process often extends over two or three days, is anticipated with dread, and seems to be completed only to be begun again. The place where the work is carried on with its equipment has much to do with making the work easier or more difficult. If it is in a separate room on the first floor, so that there need be no going up and down stairs, light airy, and with running water, much labor is saved. The larger pieces of equipment should be stationary when possible, to avoid lifting and carrying about. Tubs if not built in may be kept always in the same place and filled and emptied by means of a piece of hose. Ironing boards may be attached at one end to the wall and pushed back against it when not in use. A cold mangle with wooden rollers is a contrivance which saves much time in the ironing of flat pieces. If this cannot be had the ordinary wringer may often be pressed into service as a mangle for such pieces as common towels. Washing machines especially when power driven are great conveniences.

Much may be said also in the choice of laundry materials as starch, soap and bluing. The ordinary cornstarch is inexpensive and makes a good starch if allowed to simmer from 10 to 20 minutes after it is made and then strained if necessary before using. The addition of a little borax and fat or paraffin greatly improves the quality.

The bluing should be one which does not dye or contain Prussian blue which often is the cause of rust spots. Ultramarine is one of the best bluings. A variety of soaps should be used. The strong yellow soap is good only for very soiled and greasy clothes. Its action is hard on both the clothes and the hands. Ivory, a mild soap is good for ordinary work and castile, a neutral soap, for wool.

If we are able to dry our clothes in fresh air and sunlight, they are actually cleaner than after they have been dampened and ironed. Webbing underwear and stockings need never be ironed and why should we, especially in the summer, iron sheets and nightgowns?

Perhaps the way to save most in laundry work would be to get at the root of the trouble and have our clothes made in a style and of material easily laundered. Underclothes may be made of rippled and crepe and dresses of rippled, plisse, rattle, and

crepe which require neither starching nor ironing. These fabrics this spring include most attractive designs in plaids, stripes, and figured materials. The children in particular, may have clothes of these materials and the mother of a large family need only try this scheme to appreciate its labor-saving possibilities.

INVALID COOKERY.

Toast Water.—Two slices well browned toast and very dry, 1 cup boiling water. Method: Break the toast in small pieces in a bowl. Add the boiling water. Let stand one hour. Season with salt. If desired, add one or two teaspoonsful cream.

Barley Water.—2 T barley, 1 qt. cold water, 1 t salt. Method: Wash the grain. Add the water. Let soak 4 hours. Cook in same water until water is reduced one-half for infant feeding; for adult feeding reduce to 1 C. Salt and cream may be added or lemon juice and sugar.

Egg-nog.—1 egg, 2 C cold water, 3-4 T sugar, flavoring. Salt (a few grains). Method: Beat egg slightly with a silver fork. Add sugar, salt and flavoring (1 1/2 T sherry or 1 T brandy, or a few grains of nutmeg). Then add milk gradually. Strain and serve.

Pineapple Egg-nog.—1 egg, 2 T cold water, 1-4 C finely crushed ice. Syrup made of sugar and water to taste, 2 T pineapple juice. Method: Beat egg slightly. Add water and fruit juice. Strain over crushed ice and sweeten to taste.

Milk Shake.—1 egg, sugar, 1 C milk, flavoring. Method: Mix and shake thoroughly in a lemonade shaker or a glass fruit jar.

Cocoa.—1 t cocoa, 3-4 C cold milk, 1 t sugar, 1/4 C boiling water. Method: Put cocoa and sugar in a saucepan. Add boiling water slowly; then boil several minutes. Add milk and bring to a boil; stirring constantly. Add sugar and serve in heated cup.

NORTH WATERFORD.

Everybody has gone smelting the last few nights, or had friend who did, and smelts have been very plenty. The village schools began Monday. C. G. Knight is so he can walk to the store now.

Thomas Gay plans to buy a restaurant in Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Alice Freelove of North Bridgton, was in North Waterford and East Stoneham last week with a fine lot of millinery.

Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Saunders have been visiting in Mason, where Mrs. Saunders has a mother and sister living.

Mrs. Ethel Jones has been dressmaking for Mildred Rugg of Albany. Hermon Bryant is cobbing strips at Lynchville.

Harriett Knight of Jamaica Plains, Mass., who has been visiting her mother and sister in this place, has returned to her work.

Helen Lord, who has been threatened with rheumatic fever, is gaining.

Mrs. Lilla Hobson, who has been quite sick is better now. Mrs. Hattie Rice is working there.

Clara McGowen is ill at John Grovers, and Lillian Douglass has been doing the work.

E. K. Shedd of Biscoetown has let his farm to Roy Lord. Mr. Shedd has bought a place in North Bridgton, and has begun to move his goods there.

Al Garrett is staying at Jesse Littlefield's.

Mrs. Columbia Millett was quite sick Wednesday at her daughter's, Mrs. Alphonca Charles.

Mrs. Harriett Head recently visited her sister, Mrs. H. B. Hox.

HANOVER.

Mrs. Allen Richardson has returned from Massachusetts. She was quite ill while there.

Mrs. Sadie Pinkham and son, Jack, came Saturday to visit her husband, who is staying in town.

Elwood Richardson spent the week end in Oxford with his sister, Mrs. John Dyer.

School did not begin in the upper district last week on account of the illness of the teacher.

C. E. Saunders was in Norway last Friday to attend a grange meeting.

Eli Sturzus has sold his colt and mare and purchased a larger span of horses.

Ray Parker was in Norway the week end with relatives.

Mrs. John Dyer and two children are visiting their mother this week.

MAN TAKES HIS OWN MEDICINE IS AN OPTIMIST.

He has absolute faith in his medicine—he knows when he takes it for certain ailments he gets relief. People who take Dr. King's New Discovery for an irritating cold are optimists—they know this cold remedy will get into the lungs of the throat, kill the germs, and open the way for Nature to act. You can't destroy a cold by experimental treatment—you must go to the cause of the trouble. Be an optimist. Get a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery to day.

IT PAYS TO ADVERTISE.

CANTON

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. W. Carson have been spending several days at their former home in Readfield.

Mrs. Maxim of East Livermore has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Arthur Chamberlain.

Beatrice Hetherington is at work for Mrs. Arthur Goulding.

Mrs. Martha Hathaway of Washington, D. C., and Mrs. H. B. Gilbert, who is at the Maine sanatorium each received a shower of post cards from their Canton friends, Wednesday.

Mrs. Esther Hayford is convalescing from her recent illness.

Geo. Gauthier has sold his place at Gilbertville to Massachusetts parties.

Miss Lila Gilbert of Lewiston has been a guest of her parents Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Gilbert.

O. M. Richardson's large new dining room, which he has added to Pinewood Camp, is nearly completed. The room is 20 by 30 feet and is finished in the same artistic manner as the other apartments. It has an immense fireplace and chimney built of field stones which is unique and very attractive. Several of the windows face the beautiful sheet of water, Lake Anasagunticook.

Mrs. W. A. Reynolds has returned from Hartford, where she has been employed in the family of Jas. Gammon.

Mrs. Emily Tilley of East Wilton has been a guest of Mrs. Jennie Tilley and family.

Elmer H. York has recently received the blind man's pension. His many friends are glad to hear of his substantial aid.

Mrs. Alton Allen of Berlin N. H., has been a guest of Mrs. G. A. Ellis and family. Mrs. Ellis has also been entertaining her brother, Dean Hiscock, of Farmington.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrar are at Hartford, assisting at the home of Amasa Carter, who with his wife, is ill with the measles.

Ralph Stetson was down from Rumford, Sunday.

Repairs have been made at the Tyler Corner schoolhouse.

Rollo Hines has bought the Geo. Carter place at Gilbertville and Mr. and Mrs. Carter have gone to live with his brother, Irving Carter and wife.

Mrs. H. B. Gilbert is having serious trouble with one of her eyes and is obliged to go to Lewiston for treatment every few days.

Patrick Legree, a Frenchman, who was cutting wood on the Thompson lot in Hartford, was found unconscious Wednesday with a fractured skull. It was thought he was injured by a falling limb. He was taken to the St. Mary's General Hospital at Lewiston.

Mrs. B. C. Waite has been visiting in Auburn.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. F. Towle entertained Mr. and Mrs. Richard House of North Turner and Mr. and Mrs. Ellis of Quincy, Mass., Sunday.

Mrs. Ella Nickerson has returned from a visit in Providence, R. I.

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Mrs. Philura Strout is visiting in Rumford and Lowell, Mass.

Mrs. Helen A. Eastman is visiting her sister, Mrs. W. E. Marston and family of Andover.

Freeland Abbott of Byron has been a guest of his sister, Mrs. Marion Smith.

Charles W. Walker is seriously ill of bronchial pneumonia and a trained nurse is in attendance.

Donald B. Partridge was called to Norway, Friday, by the illness and death of his uncle, James Partridge, who has been ill some time.

The ice left Lake Anasagunticook, Saturday.

Mrs. Chas. F. Reed is at work for Mrs. Wilton Briggs.

Mrs. Estella Bartlett and daughter, Carrie, have returned from a visit in Stratton.

The school at Canton Point commenced Tuesday, a week later on account of illness in the family of the teacher, Miss Eva Springer.

Fred Tripp and Mrs. Margery Weld have been guests of Mrs. Eva Haines of Rumford.

A fire was discovered at the home of C. H. and J. L. Gammon, Wednesday, which did quite an amount of damage before being extinguished.

E. F. Bryant, Mrs. Alice Lovrijay, Mrs. Frank Lovrijay and two sons, returned from Miami, Florida, Saturday, where they have been spending the winter. Alase Bryant also returned the first of the week.

From Mrs. S. T. Richmond, Providence, R. I.

PROVIDENCE, R. I.—"For the benefit of women who suffer as I have done I wish to state that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound a trial after all the evidence that is continually being published, which proves beyond contradiction that this grand old medicine has relieved more suffering among women than any other one medicine in the world?

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From Mrs. Maria Irwin, Peru, N. Y.

PERU, N. Y.—"Before I took Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound I was very irregular and had much pain. I had lost three children, and lost them all at the time. This splendid medicine helped me as nothing else had done, and I am thankful every day that I took it."—Mrs. Maria Irwin, R. F. 1, Peru, N. Y.

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SCITUATE, MASS.—"The doctor said that I had organic trouble and he directed me for a long time and I did not get any relief. I saw Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound advertised and I tried it and found relief. I had finished the first bottle. I continued taking it and I am now a healthy woman and earn my own living."—Mrs. Jane D. Duncan, Forest Avenue, West Quincy, Mass.

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for treatment and is getting along nicely. He was accompanied to Lewiston by his son.

Herbert V. Foster of Winchester, N. H., has been a guest of his daughter, Mrs. A. S. Bicknell. Mr. Foster and wife will soon move to Chesterfield, where they have purchased a farm.

Fred Lafont has returned to Canton and is doing barbering in the store of Michael Onorio.

Benj. Jackson has returned home from West Kennebunkport.

A. F. Russell and wife attended Pomeroy at Dixfield, Wednesday.

Edward F. Bryant returned home Saturday from Miami, Fla., where he had been spending the winter.

Anasagunticook Lodge, L. O. O. F., and Pememah Rebekah Lodge will observe anniversary Sunday April 25th by attending service in a body. The sermon will be by Rev. W. A. Kelley at 9:30 P. M., at the Universalist Church. The public are cordially invited.

An entertainment and social followed the meeting of Evergreen Chapter last Tuesday evening and a pleasant time was enjoyed. Cake and ice cream were served.

Mrs. O. C. Fuller and Miss Cornelia Fuller visited relatives at Livermore Falls, Friday.

Mrs. Pomeroy of Livermore Falls has been visiting her brother, B. B. Dailey and wife.

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School began Monday with Miss Herrick of Bethel as teacher.

Lewis Spinnay is driving river for R. L. Foster.

Mrs. Ella Kendall visited her friend, Miss Bartlett, of Locko's Mills the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Gladys Trask is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Pearl Parker, for a few days.

Howard Bailey has finished his work on Bear River and returned home.

Mrs. J. J. Spinnay, who has been seriously ill for the past week, is much better at this writing.

Mrs. G. A. Moore of Auburn and her sister, Mrs. H. P. Ingalls, of Portland are visiting friends in this place.

Mr. and Mrs. P. E. Lowe called at J. J. Spinnay's, Sunday.

Ella Kendall has gone to Bear River to teach school. She will board at W. H. Wight's.</

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THURSDAY, APRIL 22, 1915.

"ARE WOMEN READY TO VOTE?"

Win a field at the bottom of a well-written article recently copied into this paper giving the reasons why women should vote. The question was a fair one, and may well have been thought fit women to face the issue.

If only there would not suddenly rear in women's minds the magnificent thoroughness of preparation which men have received from men at entrance examinations to complete American City school.

Three questions are asked the ignorant immigrants—coming from conditions wherein generations of restriction have not greatly fitted him to use the power behind the vote in a responsible manner.

One question is "Are you an anarchist?" Another, "Are you a polygamist?" The third is equally pertinent.

Then three Presidents of the United States are to be named. The high standard requires that these names be spoken—the first three questions are passed by a shake of the head!

Surely we women, by arduous effort can reach the standard which thus far satisfies men as to qualifications.

The picture of John Adams standing by a bewilfered foreigner and teaching him to use his preparation for the vote—is rather provocative of a trifling mirth to one with a sense of humor.

Compare the average voter with such women as Lydia Maria Child, Margaret Fuller, Elizabeth Peabody, Sophia Hawthorne, Louisa May Alcott, Julia Ward Howe, Lydia Cheney, Lucy Stone, Mary Livermore, Abby Dunn, Louise Alcott, Lucia Peabody, Charlotte Whipple, Harriet Beecher Stowe, Maria Mitchell, Lucy Larcom, Charlotte Fosham, Anna Tilden, Harriet Hosmer, Harriet Prescott Spofford, Louis Chandler Moulton, Helen Hunt, Susan B. Anthony, Frances Willard, Anna Whitney, Mrs. L. Stevens—and many many more of their class and the thousands they have educated and cultivated—not use the imagination a bit!

With these shining ranks of developed minds and souls drawn up in a visible array, place opposite them the men whom men have chosen as their aids to keep this great Republic from sharing the fate of other nations, which have been swamped by the entrance of ignorant aliens.

Are the women of America less "ready" to help steady the ship of State than the Negro and the Immigrant?

DIXFIELD.

The Camp Fire Girls observed "Fatima Night" at the Grange Hall, Saturday evening. A good crowd was in attendance and games and dancing were enjoyed by all. Refreshments were served during the evening.

A women's meeting was held Monday evening and it was decided to have a Women's Hall at Tuscan Opera House, Dixfield, Wednesday evening, April 28, and there will be furnished, dancing and supper \$1.50.

A. W. Smith is a guest at the home of his son, Fred Nourse, at Rumford, this week.

Saturday, May 1, is the day appointed for the "Tea-Tea-Tea" day in Dixfield. The special chili and tooth pick will be served to give the men an opportunity to help. A free dinner will be given to all who help work or serve as a committee.

Miss H. White and Miss Morris were to Dixfield, Monday, and attended the meeting of the sections that evening.

Albert McHannan of Dixfield was a guest over Sunday of Hotel Staples at Dixfield.

Miss Womeldorff is to Boston this week, visiting friends.

On Saturday the 1st of May the Standard of Dixfield will be present Monday of the 2nd.

Miss W. H. Reed went to Boston Saturday and will be back Sunday evening.

M. F. Jones of Dixfield was at the "Tea-Tea-Tea" day in Dixfield Saturday.

Miss Alice of Dixfield is a guest of the section of Dixfield.

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Ladies, when buying a Suit it is most satisfying to realize that the Suit you select is beyond a doubt correct in style, correct in material and color and correct in fit and finish—these features really decide whether you will like your suit permanently or whether you will soon tire of it.

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Here are brand new suits—just lifted out of their tissue paper wrappings and put into stock. A few days ago they were passing from the hands of the tailors to those of the examiners—they represent the very "last word" in style—not selected simply because they were Suits, but because they embody every latest fashion feature produced of materials that give assurance of long service and lasting satisfaction.

A fine line of Suits at \$15.00
Suits in large variety at \$17.50

They come in choicer shades of navy, Belgian blue, black, sand, putty, fawn, etc. You can select a suit of reasonably heavy material or you can buy one of light weight or medium weight.

Smart models, exclusive styles, little fashion developments which reveal the genius of the wise awake designer and which add so much to the finished effect of the suit. You will like the normal line of the new suit coats—the style which is most becoming to any woman—You will like the fuller skirts of the new suits and you can select the plain tailored model or the plaited effect.

Many Stunning Suits at \$20.00
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In fact we are sure we can please you in a spring coat, no matter what your needs and ideas may be.

We Show a Big New Line of Coats

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The styles include smart tailored effects, with mannikin sleeves. Some coats are in the new belted effects, some are in stunning semi-fitted models, some have effective button trimming, some are lined throughout, some are dressy, some are made for service. The material employed include covert cloth which will be very popular this season—squares always desirable and reliable, poplins, mixtures, novelty cloths and the more than popular black and white checks.

New, Stylish Coats at \$12.50

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6 to 14 years size, \$5.00, \$7.50 to \$20.00

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There are stunning Coat sizes of Belvoir cloths, Moirés, etc.—Coats for real dressy wear or well made, sturdy built Coats for good, hard service.

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You can choose on Laporte Coat withflare skirt of the belted effect in medium and high waist line, the new plaited model or the always desirable box style.

Some Coats have box, detachable collar and cuffs, buttons are freely used as trimming. Some Coats are lined throughout.

Our Coats for Children 2 to 6 years Are especially good value at \$5.00

Our Coats for Children 6 to 14 years Are especially good value at \$7.50

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UPTON.
Miss Marilla Morse has a bad cold. Jim Barnett has sold his cleared land to Davie Enman.

Oscar and Perry Judkins are working on the drive at Black Brook, Andover, also Lester Lane, Philip and Clarence West. Werton Sargent is on a drive at Newry.

Mertie Henderson is helping Edith Fuller.

Charles Brown, wife and son, went to Bethel, Friday.

Alvah Coolidge is quite sick with heart trouble.

It is reported that Harry Crocker has sold his mill to True Durkee.

Mrs. B. L. Judkins, who has been quite sick for several weeks, attended grange meeting, Saturday.

Schools began April 20, Miss Nora Marston on South Paris teaching the grammar and Mary Morse the primary grade.

Charlie Lane, about seven years old, having some disagreement with his family, left "for the river, and was not coming back." His folks got worried and several of the neighbors gathered to hunt for him, but after an absence of about four hours he returned home safely, having gone into their pasture and fallen asleep.

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ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1914.

Real Estate, \$735,000.64

Mortgage Loans, 3,000.00

Collateral Loans, 29,399.00

Stocks and Bonds, 5,558,278.00

Cash in Office and Bank, 1,159,733.04

Agents' Balances, 1,456,302.29

Bills Receivable, 4,500.00

Interest and Rents, 69,005.21

All other Assets, 216,709.29

Gross Assets, \$9,235,024.34

Deduct items not admitted, 780,337.54

Admitted Assets, \$8,451,046.89

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1914.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$1,472,757.23

Unearned Premiums, 3,098,601.89

Voluntary Reserve for Contingencies, 200,000.00

All other Liabilities, 437,169.46

Cash Capital, 2,000,000.00

Surplus over all Liabilities, 850,631.31

Total Liabilities and Surplus, \$8,454,636.93

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"Well, what does your mother call him?"

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stay here, both Mr. and Mrs. McGraw have made many friends, who regret the probability of their leaving town.

At the last meeting of the school committee the election of teachers occurred. Nearly every teacher in the village was reelected. The election of teachers for the rural schools will occur later. Miss Alwida Osgood has re-signed to teach in North Attleborough at an increase in salary. Miss Elwin Coffin has resigned to teach in Bar Harbor at an increase in salary. Miss Bernice Kennedy, principal of the Chisholm school, has been obliged to leave the Chisholm school the rest of the year.

Stanley Bissell is foreman of the U. S. District Court, Portland. The wedding of Albert Pine and Miss Ethel Decker occurred at the residence of Dr. J. A. Niles on Sunday. Mr. Pine is the manager of the Majestic Theatre. Miss Decker is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Decker of Oakland. For the past year she has been ticket seller at the Majestic Theatre. The couple have taken the house in Stratfield Park on Egleston street, known as the "Community House," where they will be glad to see all of their friends.

Mrs. Morton Harvey is confined to her home with an attack of the grip. At the regular monthly meeting of the official board of the Methodist Church, held last week, it was voted to extend to the Maine Annual Conference a unanimous invitation to hold the session of 1916 in Rumford. Rev.

John M. Arters was instructed to present this invitation to the session of the Conference which met this week, Wednesday, in Waterville, and to urge its acceptance. There may be other invitations presented, but it is confidently expected that Rumford will be chosen as the place for the session of 1916. Conference met in Rumford in the year 1904 for the first and only time, and many are the pleasant recollections of that session. Delegates, both clerical and lay, to the number of 250 or more will visit our town at the time named, if this invitation is accepted.

The district meeting of the Rebekahs will be held with Purity Lodge May 21st.

Miss Jennie Poor is with her aunt, Mrs. G. L. Butterfield of Lake Forest, Illinois, for an extended visit.

Charles Levin of the firm of Levin & Senter Co., left Sunday for New York to purchase goods.

Miss Clara Parolis has entered the employ of the Levin & Senter Co. Miss Parolis is one of the most popular clerks in town, and during her many years service at George Elias' store has made many friends.

The Ladies' Auxiliary to Clan Chisholm held a public installation at K. of P. Hall last week. The officers were installed by Mrs. Elizabeth Sweetair, nominated by Mrs. David Moore as grand marshal—Barbara Moir, President; Emma Wiegert, Past President; Annie Kelly, Chaplain; Elizabeth Elgstrom, Secretary; Bessie Lotman, Financial Secretary; Rachael Hoy, Treasurer; Barbara McGraw, Conductor; Margaret McAuley, Guard; Mary Moir, Sentinel. After the installation a fine musical and literary program was presented.

The state board of overseers of the poor have appointed Dr. William T. Rice of this town as State physician for the town of Rumford for the ensuing year.

It has been the hope of Rumford people that they might get Mr. Will C. McFarlane, Portland's expert musical organist to hold an organ recital in the town. Rev. John M. Arters, who is well acquainted with Mr. McFarlane, wrote him as to the prospects of such a thing, and a most encouraging letter has been received in reply. Mr. McFarlane says that it would give him great pleasure to give a recital in Rum-

ford, and inquires as to the size of the organ upon which he should perform, and the number and names of the stops. Mr. Arters is considering having Mr. McFarlane's recital under the auspices of either the Boy Scouts organization or the Rumford District Nursing Association.

In one of the Portland newspapers appeared the following item: "The services of the city solicitor are required by the overseers of the poor. Notice was received from Rumford that a judgment had been issued against the City of Portland by the Supreme Court. No member of the present board has any knowledge of this claim or where the action had been brought in the courts."

The facts of the case are that Rumford has a charge amounting to about \$100 for the support of E. F. Grant and family. Mr. Grant is a citizen of Portland having been a policeman in that city. At the time of the strike he was a special officer. After the strike was settled, he did not return to Portland, but found employment here.

Miss Jennie Pratt left last week for a two weeks trip away which will include Washington, D. C., New York and Boston. She was accompanied by Mrs. Harry Morton of Oquossoc, and her sister, Miss Gertrude Pratt, of Boston.

The marriage of Miss Belle Delano of Abbott's Mills and Mr. Percy Gammon of Canton occurred last Saturday at Rumford. After a short wedding trip the young couple will live at Canton.

The warm weather of the past week has caused the water in the Androscoggin River as well as all small mountain streams to rise rapidly, and the river men are taking advantage of the good pitch of water to get the pulp wood and log drives out. The Berlin Mills Co. have one hundred and sixty men on the Brae Stream and the West branch of Swift River in the mountain.

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Mrs. Clarence Newton, who has been very ill, is gaining.

Walter Akers is driving team for Ray Thurston.

M. L. Thurston from Bethel was in town the past week.

Mr. A. T. Lewis from Portland was in town last week buying cattle.

ANDOVER

Clarence Akers from Portland spent Sunday with his parents, J. E. Akers and wife.

Dr. Francis Taylor returned to Andover, Monday, accompanied by his wife and son. They are boarding at Bert Hanson's.

Dr. Austin Tenney, oculist, from Portland, was in town last week.

Mrs. Walter Marston has a sister, Mrs. Helen Eastman, from Canton visiting her.

Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Thomas were guests of Roger Thurston and wife, Sunday.

Nathan Akers from Rumford was in town, Sunday, the guest of J. E. Akers and family.

Mrs. Henry L. Poor has been very ill. Dr. Parson from Rumford Point was called, Friday.

Archer Poor has a new Oakland touring car.

R. L. Melcher and wife from Rumford were guests of friends in town, Sunday.

Bryant's Pond base ball team played against West Paris Chickadees, Monday, resulting in a score of 29 to 4 in favor of West Paris.

Oxford High school base ball team played against West Paris Chickadees, Saturday. The score was 17 to 2 in favor of West Paris Chickadees.

Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Mann visited their friends in Boston, and Mr. Tucker is also attending a meeting of his regiment.

Mr. and Mrs. Whitten are nicely settled in their new home on Main street.

Mrs. F. H. Packard has returned from a trip to Boston.

Mrs. H. H. Wardwell is at a private hospital at Portland for treatment for nervous prostration. Miss Myra Irish, Mrs. Wardwell's sister, is with her.

Mrs. Emma W. Mann spent the week end at Portland.

The Y. P. C. U. are making good progress collecting old papers and magazines and hope to soon have enough to load a car.

Merion Berry of Norway is visiting his uncle, E. R. Berry.

D. A. Coburn is clerking in G. A. Smith's store.

HARTFORD STEAM BOILER IN-
SPECTION AND INSURANCE
COMPANY.Abstract of Statement, Jan. 1, 1914.
Cash Capital, \$1,000,000.00

Total Assets, 5,059,573.00

Reserve for Insurance, 2,931,531.90

For Losses Unadjusted, 44,573.02

Surplus as Regards Policy

Holder, 3,170,727.77

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4-8-31—M.

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ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1914.

Mortgage Loans, \$193,000.00

Stocks and Bonds, 268,136.06

Cash in Office and Bank, 34,972.62

Agents' Balances, 107,551.93

Bills Receivable, 8,363.09

Interest and Rents, 12,747.08

All other Assets, 879,461.66

Gross Assets, \$2,179,137.24

Deduct items not admit-

ted, 173,040.29

Admitted Assets, 62,005,487.95

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1914.

Net Unpaid Losses, \$192,775.94

Uncared Premiums, 801,049.08

All other Liabilities, 205,845.23

Total Liabilities and Ser-

plus, 205,845.23

Gross Assets, \$10,714.06

Deduct items not admit-

ted, 5,473.44

Admitted Assets, \$5,112,425.52

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1914.

Net Unpaid Losses and

Expense of Settlement, \$83,369.11

Uncared Premiums, 104,740.33

All other Liabilities, 17,326.93

Cash Capital, 160,969.09

Surplus over all Liabilities, 205,845.23

Total Liabilities and Ser-

plus, 451,319.63

4-9-31—M.

LONDON & LANCASHIRE FIRE
INS. CO., LTD., Liverpool, England.

ASSETS, DEC. 31, 1914.

Real Estate, \$360,660.60

Stocks and Bonds, 3,671,070.81

Cash in Office and Bank, 657,521.35

Agents' Balances, 507,590.00

Bills Receivable, 1,368.00

Interest and Rents, 46,314.59

All other Assets, 463,480.32

Gross Assets, \$5,113,230.60

Deduct items not admit-

ted, 1,181,043.82

Admitted Assets, \$3,031,688.28

LIABILITIES, DEC. 31, 1914.

Net Unpaid Losses

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GROVER HILL, SPRING.

There is a something in the air That is cold and sweet and nice. Sing of birds from bush and tree, Blackbird's song and Starling's song, Lark's calling all day long, And some greater, finer things, 'Til we find the wife of woe.

We and Mrs. Harting and going up against to two last week from Tellington and no grantees of Mrs. Harting's either. Mrs. Harting will be no grantees as she is. Mrs. Harting, wife of Mac.

Mrs. Amy Wheeler has returned from a pleasant visit with her sister, Mrs. Fred V. of South Paris.

Mrs. W. H. Hutchins's brother and one son, and Mrs. Hutchins's brother and two sons after a short vacation were.

Walter H. from Bethel village was to the store, Monday.

Many a time has he let the job of moving the old machinery to a suit of clothes, where he will reconstruct it for his brother and myself.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Wheeler were back Sunday last week, and are continuing a rest on Marion street, Gorham.

Walter H. and Harry Lyon were at the farm, Gorham.

WHY NOT BUY IT IN MAINE?

POEMS WORTH READING

A DREAM OF PEACE.

How a Poet Would Have All Wars Among Nations Brought to an End. Is there no way to end this war? Are those proud kings so strong That men must bend beneath their yoke And hear the burning wrong?

Now, here's a little remedy, Which might their ardor quench, If they were lined along the front Or mustered in the trench.

For there they'd see a father dead Beside a dying son, And know that millions more must die 'Ere that fierce war is won.

Those men there dead left happy homes, Where kindred hearts now mourn For fathers, sons and brothers That never will return.

The thing is too preposterous, When a few can so aspire To rule and run a bloody war As long as they desire.

But the masses of humanity, If they for peace should stand, Could form a universal court All wars to command.

That law established everywhere, With all its force displayed, Could make the proudest monarch yield And quit the warring trade.

He'd then receive what nature gives, Not on the field of strife, But in his home with sparkling wine And pure love from his wife.

Then Heaven would smile on this green earth And old and young would say The hand of God has banished war And blessed the world today.

All nations thus in harmony Would partly feel the bliss That is prepared for loving souls In a brighter world than this.

Such is, dear friends, the poet's dream, The bright hope of the lover, That men shall reign in peace again And long lost joys recover.

So when war shall be abolished And freedom's cheers rebound, In peace and fame Columbia's name Will flash the world around.

And trade and commerce then will start On every sea and shore, And Zeppelin and submarine Will cease forevermore.

EDWARD O'LOUGHLIN, Reserve Officer. * * * * * WAKE UP.

Wake up! Isn't that the word, Gave out thing you ever heard. Wake up! Beat on and up, Lift the lip to duty's cap, With the heart behind them singing And the feet beneath you swaying.

WAKE UP.

Wake up! This is not the day To be warped in thought of gray. Days from the old world rocks Wash a new chance as it knocks At the door of life for you. Wake up! All the stars are blue.

WAKE UP.

Wake up! Low sweet the cry For a morning in your eye, to sit on your breast and sing, This lit shadow sign and tell, Spared her the nobler dream, Lighting, lighting with its gleam.

WAKE UP.

Wake up! Earth starts out To the magic of the shout, Hearts respond, and to the call Men and stand attention all, Forward with the marching mind Every day new dreams to find.

WAKE UP.

That's the slogan, oh! Ring it out across the day. Wake up! Never mind the past, Reward all the lines are cast; Spikes steady, haul and reel, Toss as oak and strong as steel.

WAKE UP.

That's the magic note Ripping from the eagle's throat Never mind the care, the load, Swallow the older threat In the shadows of smoke from Weaving on the dentures them.

WALTER F. SMITH.

WHITE MAN WITH BLACK LIVER.

The Liver is a blood purifier. It has

thought as can time it was the seat

of the passions. The trouble with most

people is that their Liver is not

strong. Because of impurities in the

blood due to bad physical states, such

as indigestion, hepatitis, liveritis,

jaundice, etc.

What will this war but sickness,

This helish ambition sets

As long as the powder lasts,

Kill, kill, kill.

Though veins of blood are flowing,

Men's bodies their red tanks fill,

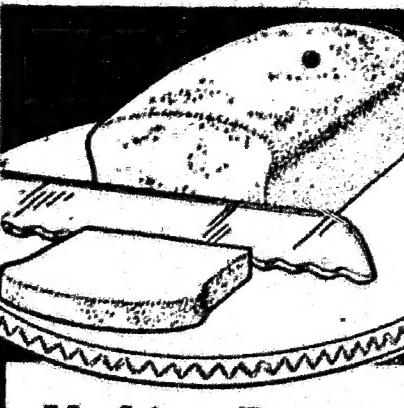
Strapped and shot and fame,

Strapped courage and hate,

What will this war but sickness,

This helish ambition sets

As long as the last.



THE NATIONAL CAPITAL

Continued from page 1.

per; and they have chosen C. E. La-

Vigne, a former Wisconsin man, for that important post. Mr. LaVigne for a year or more has been engaged in making an analysis of the question as to the rights of manufacturers, to fix resale prices. He has investigated not only the manufacturers, but has gone

thoroughly into the methods of wholesalers, retailers, department stores, mail order concerns and other industries. As the result of successful work it has followed—as it often does, that private enterprise has made known its willingness to pay a salary commensurate with the size of the job to be undertaken, and Mr. LaVigne will bid the Federal Trade Commission adieu as soon as his reports are in shape, simply because Uncle Sam pays a scale of wages instead of a rate commensurate with the task involved. The Tribune has nailed the slogan at its head, "the truth, in news, in editorials, in advertising." It will assail fictitious bargain sales and the men who make them.

It will go after manufacturers who claim merits for their goods that they do not possess, and it will make them modify their claims the same as the patent medicine manufacturers were compelled to do after Samuel Hopkins Adams opened his guns on these fakirs through the "Ladies' Home Journal," Adams is doing this same class of writing for the Tribune and Mr. LaVigne will work with him in establishing what are the truths, and the untruths in advertising. The New York paper proposes to put into actual operation the principle that all its advertising must be the truth. It is big enough, and strong enough, to enforce its rule, and the expectancy is that the work initiated by the Tribune in New York will spread over the whole country. It cannot help bringing immense benefits to the consumers.

LEADERS HAVE EVERYTHING FIXED.

In the period between the second and third year of every presidential term, the party leaders "figure it out" just what is going to happen in the next campaign. It was just about four years ago that the "big fellows" decided that President Taft would be renominated without opposition, and they selected Champ Clark as a certainty for the Democratic nomination.

The present plans assume that President Wilson will be renominated without opposition, and that the Republicans will "choose some one," and that the two forces will go to the mat along these lines. Quite conveniently the "fixers" forgot Colonel Roosevelt, William Jennings Bryan, Senator LaFollette, and many other factors, as well as the issues of prohibition, women's suffrage and the tariff. It is therefore an entirely safe conclusion to assume that the "fixers" will sooner or later find a few flies in the ointment, and learn the truth of the old saying that "the best laid plans of mice and men gang aft agley."

THE SHRINE OF MOUNT VERNON.

125,000 Americans went through Washington, and down the river to Mount Vernon last year; and now the tide of travel has begun again. The beautiful old mansion is in a splendid state of preservation, and new acquisitions to the relics are being secured.

Presently an inventory of the furniture in each of the rooms, stolen from the Fairfax, Virginia county court house at the time of the civil war, has come to light. The document was in the handwriting of General Washington.

At the meeting of the Mount Vernon Ladies' Association next month the most important matter of business will be the initiating of work to restore the furniture to the rooms exactly as it existed in the time of Washington.

When Mrs. Washington died she gave all the furniture away, and it was moved to Mount Vernon. It has been brought back a little at a time for more than fifty years, but the owners of some of the old pieces refuse to part with such choice possessions, and for that reason great many of the pieces on exhibition are duplicates.

NORTH WORCESTER.

E. T. Judd sold a nice veal calf to Gould of Paris Monday.

O. H. Merrill, who has been doing carpenter work for Daniel Mills of Yester, has finished his work there and will go to Frost's Corner to work carpentering for a few days.

Geo. Briggs recently purchased a horse of J. Hazeltine. Mr. Hazeltine also purchased one of Mr. Norman Sanborn of West Bethel.

Misses Nina and Irene Briggs called on Miss Muriel Rugg, recently.

GILDED.

Dr. Marble of Gorham, N. H., was in town, recently.

John Richardson was in Gorham, N. H., last Wednesday.

Albert Bennett was in Bethel last Saturday.

Mrs. Fred Moore and daughter, Frances, of Norway were in town, recently.

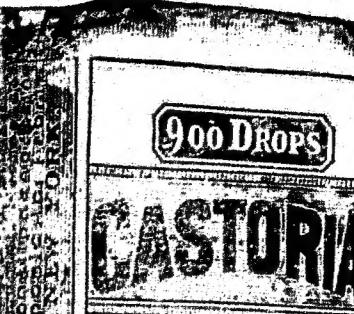
Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Coffin and daughter, Pearl, have returned home from Portland.

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MARSHALL DISTRICT.

A cow belonging to Mr. C. H. Perrell had a calf recently which weighed 117 1/2 pounds, the calf died.

Miss Irene Briggs returned home Monday after spending a week with relatives and friends at Bethel Hill and Grover Hill.

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Misses Nina and Irene Briggs called on Miss Muriel Rugg, recently.</p



PEG O' MY HEART

By J. Hartley Manners

A Comedy of Youth Founded by Mr. Manners on His Great Play of the Same Title—Illustrations From Photographs of the Play

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SYNOPSIS.

Frank O'Connell, young Irish patriot, is shot and wounded by British soldiers while making a home rule speech. He is aided by Angela Kingsnorth, an English society girl who defends him.

Angela takes O'Connell to her brother's home and helps to nurse him. He recovers, and he and the girl become fast friends.

O'Connell when well is sent to jail for disturbing the peace. He finally writes Angela that he has finished his sentence.

O'Connell and Angela wed. She has espoused the Irish cause. Her brother, a member of parliament, is very angry.

The happy couple come to America to live. A daughter is born to them. Angela's brother refuses to help the couple in any way. Angela dies.

O'Connell names his daughter Margaret and calls her "Peg." O'Connell receives a most important letter from England, which perplexes him.

O'Connell allows Peg to visit England at her uncle's request. The elder Kingsnorth's heart had finally softened toward his dead sister's little girl.

Peg goes to the home of the Chichester family in England at the direction of Mr. Hawkes, Kingsnorth's attorney, as Kingsnorth suddenly dies.

She first meets Ethel Chichester and Brent, a married man in love with Ethel. She interrupts them by accident in a secret meeting.

Ethel is enraged at Peg and haughtily dismisses her from the drawing room leading her to the servants' quarters. The Chichesters have lost their money in a bank failure.

Hawkes arrives and reads the Kingsnorth will. It leaves most of the fortune to Peg and offers liberal pay to any one who will undertake her education and social training.

Mrs. Chichester finally agrees to bring up Peg in return for the money promised, although she openly despises the shabby young girl.

Peg is heartbroken at the cold reception given her by the Chichester family. She is much impressed, however, by the luxury of her surroundings.

Peg meets Jerry Adair, who takes a lively interest in her. She finds in him a real friend. She tells him about her father. He's a farmer, he says.

"I don't often cry," she said. "My father never made me do it. I never saw him cry but twice in his life—once when we made a little money an' we had a mass said for my mother's soul, an' we had the most beautiful candles on Our Lady's altar. If I cried then, he did. An' when I left him to come here on the ship—an' then only at the last minute."

In a moment she went on again: "I cried myself to sleep that night, I did. An' many a night, too, on that steamer."

"An' I wish I hadn't come—that I do. He's missin' me every minnit—an' I'm missin' him. An' I'm not goin' to be happy here nother."

"I don't want to be a lady. An' they won't make me one, either, if I can help it. 'Yo can't make a silk purse out of a sow's ear,' that's what my father always said. An' that's what I am. I'm a sow's ear."

She stopped.

"I'm afraid I cannot agree with you."

She looked up at him and said indifferently:

"That's what I am. I'm a sow's ear."

"When this strangeness wears off you'll be very happy. You're among friends."

Peg shook her head and said bitterly: "No, I'm not. They may be relations, but they're not my friends."

He turned to Peg and said: "When they really get to know you, Miss O'Connell, they will be just as proud of you as your father is—as I would be."

Peg looked at him in whimsical astonishment: "You'd be? Why should you be proud of me?"

"I'd be more than proud if you'd look on me as your friend."

"A friend is it?" cried Peg warily. "I sure don't know who you are at all," and she drew away from him. She was on her guard. Peg made few friends. Why this man calling himself by the outlandish name of Jerry should walk in out of nowhere and offer her his friendship and expect her to jump at it puzzled her. Who was he?

"Who are yo at all?" she asked. "No one in particular," answered Jerry between gasps.

"I can see that," said Peg candidly.

"I mean what do yo do?"

"Everything a little and nothing really well," Jerry replied. "I was a soldier for awhile; then I took a splash at doctoring, read law, civil engineers in South America for a year; now I'm farming."

"Farming?" asked Peg incredulously. "Yes, I'm a farmer."

Peg laughed as she looked at the well-dressed, the languid manner and easy pose.

"It must be mighty hard on the land and cattle to have you farm 'em," she said.

"It is," and he, too, laughed again. She started up the staircase leading to the music room.

Jerry called after her anxiously:

"No, no, Miss O'Connell. Don't go."



"I don't often cry," she said.

Like that?"

"I must," said Peg from the top of the stairs. "What will I get here but to be laughed at an' jeered at by a lot of people that are not fit to even look at me father? Who are they, I'd like to know, that I mustn't speak his name in their presence?"

Suddenly she raised her hand above her head, and in the manner and tone of a public speaker she astounded Jerry with the following outburst:

"An' that's what the Irish are doin' all over the world. They're driven out of their own country by the English an' become wanderers on the face of the earth, an' nothin' they ever earn'll make up to them for the separation from their homes an' their loved ones!" She finished the peroration on a high note and with a forced manner such as she had frequently heard on the platform.

She smiled at the astonished Jerry and asked him:

"Do yo know what that is?" "I haven't the least idea," he answered truthfully.

"That's out of one of mo father's speeches. Ho father makes grand speeches. Ho makes them in the cause of Ireland."

"Oh, really? In the cause of Ireland, eh?" said Jerry.

"Yes. He's been strugglin' all his life to make Ireland free, to get her home rule, yo know. But the English are so ignorant. They think they know more than me father. If they'd do what me father tells them sure there'd be no more trouble in Ireland at all."

"Really?" said Jerry quite interestedly.

"Not a bit of trouble. I wish me father was here to explain it to yo. He could tell ye the whole thing in a couple of hours. I wish he were here now just to give you an example of what fine speakin' really is. Do you like speeches?"

"Very much—sometimes," replied Jerry guardedly.

"Mo father is wonderfule on a platform with a lot o' people in front of him. He's wonderful. I've seen him take two or three hundred people who didn't know they had a grievance in the world—the poor creatures—they were just contented to go on bein' ground down an' trampled on an' they know nothing about it. I've seen my father take that crowd an' in five minutes after he had started speakin' to them yo wouldn't know they were the same people. They were all about in' at once, an' they had mirth in their eye, an' it was blood mirth after. They wanted to reform somethin'—they weren't sure what—but they wanted to do it, an' at the cost of life. My father could have led them anywhere. It's a wonderful power he has."

"Do yo like hearin' about mo father?" she asked Jerry suddenly, in case she was tiring him.

"Not at all. She has the frank, honest grip on life that I like better than anything in mankind or womankind. She has made me a convert to home rule already."

"She is a friend to me," cried Peg warmly. "I sure don't know who you are at all," and she drew away from him. She was on her guard. Peg made few friends. Why this man calling himself by the outlandish name of Jerry should walk in out of nowhere and offer her his friendship and expect her to jump at it puzzled her. Who was he?

"Who are yo at all?" she asked. "No one in particular," answered Jerry between gasps.

"I can see that," said Peg candidly.

"I mean what do yo do?"

"Everything a little and nothing really well," Jerry replied. "I was a soldier for awhile; then I took a splash at doctoring, read law, civil engineers in South America for a year; now I'm farming."

"Farming?" asked Peg incredulously.

"Yes, I'm a farmer."

Peg laughed as she looked at the well-dressed, the languid manner and easy pose.

"It must be mighty hard on the land and cattle to have you farm 'em," she said.

"It is," and he, too, laughed again. She started up the staircase leading to the music room.

Jerry called after her anxiously:

"No, no, Miss O'Connell. Don't go."

mindfully," said Jerry.

She stood restlessly a moment, her hands beating each other alternately. "I get so lonesome for me father," she said.

Suddenly, with a tone of definite resolve in her voice, she started to the stairs, calling over her shoulder:

"I'm goin' back to him now. Good-bye!"

Jerry followed her, pleading insistently:

"Wait! Please wait!"

She stopped and looked at him:

"Give us one month's trial—one month!" he urged. "It will be very little out of your life, an' I promise you your father will not suffer through it except in losing you for that one little month. Will you? Just a month?"

He spoke so earnestly and seemed so sincerely pained and so really concerned in her going that she came down a few steps and looked at him irresolutely.

"Why do you want me to stay?" she asked him.

"Because—because your late uncle was my friend. It was his last wish to do something for you. Will you? Just a month?"

She struggled with the desire to go away from all that was so foreign and distasteful to her. Then she looked at Jerry and realized, with something akin to a feeling of pleasure, that he was pleading with her to stay and doing it in such a way as to suggest that it mattered to him. She had to admit to herself that she rather liked the look of him. He seemed honest, even though he were English. After all, to run away now would look cowardly. Her father would be ashamed of her. This stuckup family would laugh at her. Instantly she made up her mind.

She would stay. Turning to Jerry, she said:

"All right, then. I'll stay—a month. But not any more than month, though."

"Not unless you wish it."

"I won't wish it—I promise ye that. One month 'll be enough in this house."

"I'm glad you're going to stay."

"Well, that's a comfort, anyway. Some one 'll be pleased at my stayin'."

CHAPTER XX.

A Real Friend.

A DOOR slammed loudly in the distance as Peg talked to Jerry. Peg distinctly heard her aunt's voice and Alice's. In a moment she became pale stricken. She made one bound for the top stairs and sprang up them three at a time. At the top she turned and warned him:

"Don't tell any one ye saw me."

"I won't," promised the astonished young man.

But their secret was to be short lived.

As Peg turned Ethel appeared at the top of the stairs, and as she descended, glaring at Peg, the unfortunate girl

with vigor, and if necessary, drag along the chairman."

On her suggestion Miss Mabel Frost of the Women's Municipal league was elected secretary.

At this point Mayor Curley entered and was given a rousing reception. Mrs. Young called on him at once for words of encouragement. The mayor said the city was deeply appreciative of the assistance given by this cleanup movement and so far as city officials were concerned he could promise hearty co-operation.

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